## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF NOLIN RURAL ELECTRIC	)	
COOPERATIVE CORPORATION FOR A	)	CASE NO.
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE	)	2009-00276
AND NECESSITY FOR AN ELECTRIC	)	
FRANCHISE IN THE CITIES OF RADCLIFF,	)	
VINE GROVE AND SONORA, KENTUCKY	)	

## ORDER

On July 17, 2009, Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation ("Nolin") filed with the Commission its application seeking Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to qualify it to bid on franchises for electric service offered by the cities of Radcliff, Vine Grove, and Sonora, Kentucky. Under the provisions of KRS 278.020(4), no utility may apply for a franchise from any governmental agency until it has obtained a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from this Commission based on our finding that there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered.

In light of the ordinances of the cities of Radcliff, Vine Grove, and Sonora creating electric distribution franchises, the Commission determines that there is evidence of a need and demand for electric service in the above-mentioned cities. Since the Commission's authority in such matters is limited by statute to finding only whether there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered, no finding or determination is made as to the qualifications of the bidder, the validity of any of the provisions of the franchises offered by said city, or the manner in which any franchise fee is to be treated for rate purposes.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Nolin is granted Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity that authorize it to bid on franchises for electric service offered by Radcliff, Vine Grove, and Sonora, Kentucky.
- 2. Nolin, if it becomes the successful bidder, shall file with this Commission two copies of each franchise agreement.
- 3. This Order shall not be construed as granting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct utility facilities in said cities.

By the Commission

**ENTERED** 

JUL 24 2009

KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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